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## Delphi Group to discuss 'Women's Inequality' tonight

Nancy Garcia  
Staff Writer

The Delphi Cultural Group will discuss "Women's Inequality: Fact or Fiction" at 7 p.m. Oct. 12 in Jenkins Hall 1109.

Judge Ruth Blake, Sociology Instructor Shirley Bishop and English Instructor Candance Schaefer will form a panel among other faculty members, students and lawyers to lead the discussions which open to all. Conducted by students, faculty and guests in an atmosphere of equality, good taste and professionalism, anyone can ask questions.

"The discussions usually lead into

debate where pros and cons are argued," Dr. Enrique Ramirez said. Previous topics were the "Death Penalty" and "Illegal Immigrants."

The next Delphi issue will be "The Ecology System," Ramirez said.

The Delphi Group organized last October to expand students' education through cultural and intellectual discussions and multicultural activities.

They accept any student regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, according to Delphi's constitution. For information about Delphi Group call 510-2448.



Photo by Lucia Dulin Hawkins

**DRAWING LINES**—Art students Deanna Pickett and Joseph Nogaro learn dimensions in drawings See related story page 6.

## He's got the whole world in his classroom

### Brooks finds niche teaching geography

By Cammi Brooks  
Staff Writer

New Geography Instructor Robert Brooks has not always worked in the classroom. After work ranging from being a policeman to insurance sales, Brooks decided to cultivate his early passion in geography by teaching it.

"I have always been interested in geography," Brooks said. "I was born in a small town and always had dreams of traveling. Geography is a way to travel in the mind without leaving the house."

Brooks said that it was easy to make the transition from past careers because "I like interacting with people, especially young people." "Helping my two younger

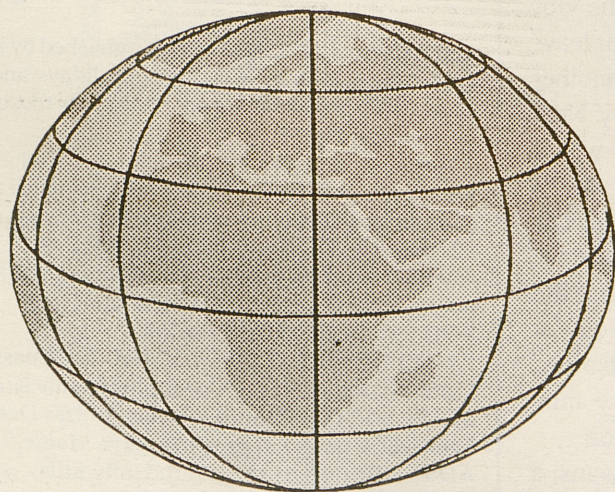
daughters with their school work has also motivated me."

Many people misunderstand what the study of geography includes, he said. "All people should be educated on what geography is because it is the mother of all sciences covering everything," Brooks said.

the interrelationship of humans and the environment, a description of the Earth with people and their activities in a central position. Geographers analyze the earth's surface, physical patterns and occupants, he said.

Brooks said geographers perform a wide variety of jobs; urban and regional planning, computer mapping, environmental analysis and retail site location.

Brooks attended Alvin Community College, Arkansas State University, and the University of Houston at Clearlake. With an impressive transcript and a master's degree, he had no problem securing a teaching



"Knowing where places are is just a very minute part of this.

An indepth study includes

position.

"He was more than quali-  
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## Shakespeare to open cultural events tonight

Willa Waddy  
Staff Writer

William Shakespeare's "Loves's Labors Lost" which opens 7:30 p.m., tonight at Jean Browne Theatre is the first of 14 cultural events scheduled this semester. Tickets cost \$3 and can be picked up at the Wise Cultural Arts Building Box Office. The play closes with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday.

TJ C Concert Chorus and Chamber Singers Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wise Auditorium. Tickets are free.

Actor Barry Corbin, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wise Auditorium. Tickets are free and must be picked up before Tuesday-at Student Activities Office.

Dallas Baptist University Chamber Singers, 7 p.m. Oct 21 Wise Auditorium. Free tickets at Student Center.

Homecoming Dinner Theater, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 23-24, Rogers Student Center. Tickets cost \$10 for students and \$12 for general public. Tickets will be available Monday at the Student Activities Office.

Harpist Harvi Griffin, 10 a.m. Nov. 1, Wise Auditorium. Free tickets available at Student Activities Office.

Student Recital, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 6, Jean Browne Theatre. Free, no tickets are needed.

"Cinemagic" Pops Concert featuring Harmony and Understanding, Jazz Band and Apache Belles, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10-11, Wise Auditorium. Tickets cost \$3 for general public and are free for students and faculty with I.D. Tickets at cashier's office in White Administration Bldg.

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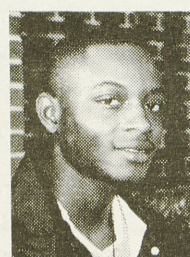
Carla Bass  
Staff Writer

*"Do you recycle? Why or why not?"*



Stephanie  
Smith

"I've recycled paper and cans for the past year and a half. It just seems like the right thing to do like being a vegetarian and other politically correct stuff."



Willie  
Crumpton

"Yes, I recycle at home for both environmental and economical reasons."



Vina  
Patel

"No, I've never thought about it. I think it's important, but I guess those who have the time can recycle and those of us who don't, won't."



Ricky  
Rhom

"I started recycling at home to keep my environment cleaner and safer. I have nieces and nephews at home that could get hurt if I left used cans laying around."



Stephanie  
Garcia

"No, I'm not usually at home long enough to throw out the trash, much less recycle it. I have three kids and two stepkids."

## Students react to Simpson verdict

Chris Green  
Staff Writer

In the hours between returning and announcing the O.J. Simpson verdict last week, a lot of people discussed what the verdict would be. Many believed the evidence clearly had proven O.J. guilty; others said not enough evidence was presented to convict him. Many students felt O.J. had been framed.

While waiting for the judge to read the verdict, everyone watching the T.V. in Rogers Student Center was silent.

After the verdict was announced, most students were ecstatic; few were disappointed and sad. After the acquittal was announced many said the verdict was correct. A few said the jury had made an unjust decision, acting out of fear that convicting a black man would cause a racial incident.

### Before the Verdict

Freshman Derrick Irving, a pre-law major from Dallas, said, "O.J. will be convicted because of the amount of time that it took the jury to deliver the verdict."

Freshman Brian Grate, an engineering major from Dallas, said, "The verdict will be

guilty because of our unjust legal system."

Freshman Christian Peters, an arts major from Arlington, said, "The evidence has proven O.J. guilty."

Freshman Marke Zeno, an education major from Dallas, said, "I feel that O.J. will be found not guilty, because there is no concrete evidence and it may cause a riot. I also feel that one person is not capable of such a crime."

Sophomore Noah Mitchell Shamburger, a computer engineering major from Winona, said, "I feel that O.J. will be found guilty, because there is an overwhelming amount of evidence against him." He also said it is questionable, but possible, that one man could commit such a crime

### After the Verdict

Sophomore Tiffany O'Neal, a journalism major from Dallas, said, "I feel that there were too many twists and turns in the case and I do not see how one man could have committed the crime alone."

Freshman Wynann Means, a nursing major from Mineola, said, "I do not feel that the verdict was right, because the

courts are in fear of convicting a black man."

Freshman Vincent Nguyen, a sports medicine major from Houston, said, "I feel that the verdict was correct and that the evidence was probably planted. I also feel that the crime scene was too messy for a man of O.J.'s intelligence to have committed."

Disabled veteran Ray Norton, a parent from Phoenix, said, "I feel that the verdict was correct, because there was no real evidence that he did it. The investigation was too rushed, too narrow. They focused too much on the violent relationship without leaving the possibility of another suspect. I feel that they went after O.J. because he was a celebrity and the fact that it was an mixed relationship. The evidence was not solid and the evidence that they did have did not hold up. They were out for a quick solution." He also said the officers completely mis-handled the investigation.

Freshman Kitina Evans, a business administrative major from Tyler, said, "I feel that no one could make that many mistakes and be that sloppy. I feel that he was framed."

## Tyler Pipe gives equipment

The graphics arts and photography program received a generous equipment donation from Tyler Pipe Industries, Inc., a long-time TJC supporter.

Office Services Supervisor Joe McHam said when his department merged with the Tyler Pipe advertising department, they had extra equipment. McHam, a member of TJC's Industry Based Advisory Committee, suggested the donation. Tyler Pipe officials agreed.

Items donated include: a complete black and white and color darkroom facility including lights, enlarger, trays, reels and studio lighting systems with power pacs.

Graphic Arts Director Bob McGregor said he has been using 18-year-old portable lighting systems and other outdated equipment. "I'm very gratified that local industry is taking an interest and picking up the slack when state funding is at an all-time low. We are especially thankful to Tyler Pipe for their donation," he said.

## Tyler Junior College News

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# Turning trash into treasure

## Where to recycle

### ON CAMPUS:

Drop off newspapers, magazines and catalogs in the white, Laidlaw waste bins in the faculty parking lot across from the HPE center and on the lower-level parking lot between Genecov and Pirtle buildings. TJC earns \$30 per ton.

### Drop off aluminium cans

in the cardboard box lined with a white trash bag on the top floor of Pirtle by the stairs. Proceeds benefit People Attempting to Help.

Carla Bass  
Staff Writer

Since the Texas Recycles Day pledge program kicked off in September, more than 1,000 Texans have asked how they can turn trash into treasure.

Helen Lettunich of Austin, who works with this program, estimated the number of people who have called 1-800-64-TEXAS and asked for pledge card information.

By pledging to start or increase recycling, Texans can win prizes including a 1995 Jeep Wrangler, gift certificates or a

laptop computer in a drawing at the Capitol Nov. 15.

Pledge cards can be picked up at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas and at Home Depot stores. People can also make their own and mail them to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. Computer users hooked up to the Internet can go to <http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us> for more information.

By phone call: 1-800-64-TEXAS or to enter by mail, write to Texas Recycles Day, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission-

CLEAN TEXAS 2000, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas, 78711-3087. Entries are due Nov. 14. Individuals 18 or older and organizations, including school-related groups, may enter.

The laptop computer will go to the first school-related pledge card drawn. Other prizes include a \$3,000 gift certificate from Home Depot, a \$2,000 vacation gift certificate donated by Balcones Recycling and five \$500 shopping sprees from HEB Grocery Co. Smaller prizes include San Antonio Spurs tickets.

## Where to recycle

### OFF CAMPUS:

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Drop off clear, brown and green glass (separated and rinsed with caps off), uncoated corrugated cardboard and aluminum cans. Also, clear plastics such as No. 1 PETE (soda bottles) and No. 2 HDPE (milk jugs) all crushed with lids removed.

The center also accepts newspapers, magazines and latex paint. The center does not pay for recyclable materials.

# Recycle textbooks for cash

Tawnya Moore  
Staff Writer

The textbook buyback program is designed to meet the needs of students. When instructors reuse a textbook for the next semester, this book has resale value.

"Some students misunderstand the buyback program," Bookstore Manager Tom Wade said. Several conditions go along with it.

The condition of the book and the demand for it will determine how much money the seller will receive.

"So many students are upset whenever they try and sell a book back and they get less than 20 percent or even nothing at all for it," Wade said. "That happens because the book is no

longer used."

Bookselling is also about

*"Some students misunderstand the buyback program," Bookstore Manager Tom Wade said.*

timing," Wade said. For example, if a student buys a new English 1301 book for fall and sells it back for spring, the price can be 50 percent of what it cost. But spring English 1301 enrollment is always less than fall so when the store has bought back enough books, the book's value goes down and the seller receives less.

Writing one's name in the

book does not decrease its value. If pages are missing or the print in the book is marked out, then the value goes down. The amount of money the seller receives for the book will be less.

Workbooks have very little resale value. The Bookstore seldom buys workbooks back, because they have been marked in and no one else can use them. If the workbook only has a little writing in it, the seller can get a small amount for it.

Bookstore clerks know whether the book someone is selling back is stolen. "I'm not going to go into too much detail about the system we have set up for the stolen books, because I do not want the thieves to try and beat the system," Wade said.

Students sometimes misunderstand the difference between the buyback program and refunds.

"You need your student identification card to sell back your book," Wade said. A refund happens at the beginning of the semester on a deadline and requires a receipt.

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# Campus Christian organizations line Baxter Street

At four places on Baxter Street students can get involved in church activities, study groups and make some friends.

**Wesley Foundation** at 1421 S. Baxter Ave. has movie nights, free lunches and computers hooked up to Internet open to everyone. Disciple's Bible study group meets at 7 p.m. Sundays.

**Baptist Student Center** at 1333 S. Baxter Ave. put together a Praise team and also works with local children. Bible study group meets on Monday nights.

**Association of Baptist Students** at 1232 E. Lake St., will make nursing homes visits if there's enough interest. A Bible study group meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays.

**Campus Christian Center** at 1415 Baxter Ave., has praise and worship on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Leaders of these centers encourage everyone to join in.

## Wesley starts 42nd year

The Wesley Foundation has been open to students for 41 years. Though it stems from the Methodist church, students, 60 percent of the students active today are not Methodist.

Wesley Director the Rev. David Persons began noon lunches on Tuesdays three years ago. The lunches are "an opportunity to get everybody together and have fun. Of course, there is free food," Persons said.

Fifty-one students came to the Sept. 26 lunch to eat, meet new friends and listen to the featured speaker for the month, former English Instructor Rick Diamond.

Diamond taught freshman composition, introduction to literature, world literature and creative writing for six years.

"I loved TJC, and I really didn't want to leave," Diamond said, "but I felt called to be a Christian educator." He is now minister of Christian learning and discipleship

at Pollard United Methodist Church.

The Wesley Foundation will continue to have featured speakers at the Tuesday lunches. "We try to get a wide variety of speakers," Persons said.

Richard Luna is the speaker this month. In November, a series on missions is planned, and the first Tuesday of December, a Christmas party and dinner will be the last event of this semester. The second Tuesday in December, the Foundation will be open 24 hours for students to use as a study hall before exams Dec. 11-14.

Wesley Foundation provides much more for students than the Tuesday lunches. The computer is hooked up to the Internet and students can try it out if they are interested. At 7 p.m. Sundays, a year-long course, the Disciple's Bible study, happens. During the fall, they watch Monday night football in the lounge, and 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays worship occurs.

Persons stresses that students do not have to be Methodist to attend any activities the Foundation offers.

Other activities are basketball Bible study at Pollard Methodist Church from 2-5 p.m. Thursdays, and 6:30 p.m. Fridays Movie Night in the lounge.

Persons also puts together weekend retreats to help students forget the stress of school. A group of students is going on a mission trip to Galveston this weekend. More retreats will be scheduled.

This year Wesley is opening its doors to a new group of students. The Jewish student group will meet in the Wesley Foundation building until their own building is finished. They will worship there on Saturday mornings.

## Baptist Center taught 1st credit Bible course

•When entering the Baptist Student Center, it felt inviting. There were a few students hanging

out together. They said they play a lot ping-pong and other games together.

Director Dr. Bob Mayfield is administrator, Bible teacher, pastoral guidance counselor and representative to the college and the church. This is a full-time job for him.

The Student Center was founded here in 1948. It was located in what is now the Purchasing Building from 1953-1990. The new building was built in 1990.

They were the first in the nation to teach a community college credit Bible class. Mayfield Now teaches two courses each semester. These count for college credits.

Every morning there's coffee, juice, and donuts for students who come in. During afternoons students come to hang out, study, play pool and make some friends.

Regular activities are:

•Monday night freshman Bible study group, usually about 20 students.

•Wednesday at noon free lunches. Last week about 100 students showed up.

•Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. the group goes to Aspen Place Apartments to lead games, crafts and a weekly Bible stories for the local children.

•Fridays at noon The Praise Team of eight students sing, perform drama and use their talents.

The leadership council, which is made up of 7 students plans these activities which are open to everyone, Mayfield said.

Their mission is "to provide an organized approach for ministry that nurtures believers and gives every student on the campus of Tyler Junior College the opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ."

"The BSU is like 'CHEERS,' a place where everyone knows you and lifts you up, and not drags you down," Mayfield said.

## ABS to visit nursing homes

The Association of Baptist Students will serve free lunches every Monday when school is in session. A quick Bible study session with a guest speaker will usually follow lunches, ABS Director Philip Atteberry said.

Other activities are:

• 8 p.m. Tuesdays Bible study at the main office.

• Nursing home visits will be made on Wednesday afternoons if students show enough interest. They hope to begin in about two weeks. Interested students should contact Atteberry, he said.

Members went on a retreat to Daniel Springs Camp in Gary last weekend.

They will go Christmas caroling Dec. 7 at nursing homes.

Anyone who wants information about these or other events can call at 593-1849 or go by the office at 1232 E. Lake St.

## Tri-C plans carnival

The Campus Christian Center serves "free lunches for students on Mondays as long as school is in session," Director Kenny Shaver said.

For a more spiritually uplifting time Tri-C, as the center is known, has praise and worship at 8 p.m. Thursdays.

They plan a car wash to raise funds for the organization Saturday.

At 2 p.m. Oct. 22 they plan a flag football game open to all students.

On Halloween, Tri-C operates a carnival for the children of the community.

A camp out is planned in November and will collect funds for orphans for Christmas.

Anyone interested in any event can get more information about these and other events by calling Shaver at 593-3331 or going to the Tri-C offices at 1415 S. Baxter.



## ANNUAL TYLER ROSE FESTIVAL OCT. 19 - 22

### HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, Oct. 19  
9 p.m. - 6 p.m. Rose Show  
Thursday through Saturday  
10 a.m. Rose Cutting by Queen  
Rose Garden Center  
10 a.m. - 5 p.m. "Palette of Roses" Art Show  
Fairgrounds  
Thursday through Sunday

Friday, Oct. 20  
7 p.m. Queen's Coronation

Saturday, Oct. 21  
9:30 a.m. Parade starts at Glenwood and  
Front streets  
12 noon Blue Moon Folk Festival  
Tyler Museum of Art

## Sophomore's dream comes true next week

Lucia Dulin Hawkins  
Staff Writer

The childhood dream of TJC sophomore Christi Roxburgh came true last summer when she was invited to be a lady-in-waiting in this year's "A Magical Wonderland."

The Robert E. Lee High School graduate was a Symphonette during her junior and senior years. A friend of Queen "Martie" Wolf, she was thrilled when the Rose Festival president approached her parents and asked her to be part of the event.

"Ever since I was little I wanted to be in the Festival," Roxburgh said.

Preparing for the event has not interfered with her study time, because most practice was done during two weeks in the summer. During Festival week she anticipates she will miss some tests.

"I have made new friends and will have a lot of great memories," Roxburgh said. "The Festival is so good for Tyler and brings lots of people here. It helps make Tyler a good town."

Roxburgh intends to major in interior design at University of North Texas.

## Blue Moon celebrates traditions

Lucia Dulin Hawkins  
Staff Writer

The Blue Moon Festival from noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Tyler Museum of Art will celebrate people and traditions that have been passed down through generations.

The Festival includes demonstrations of native handcrafts, woodcarving, confetti eggs, quilting, fiddle making and lye soap-making.

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Musical performers include:

- Joe Samples Sr., a 96-year-old blues singer from Kilgore.

- The Crayton Family of gospel singers from Longview.

- Los Vaqueros, a Tyler band that performs traditional conjunto music.

For more information about the Festival, call the TMA at 595-1001.

## 'A Magical 1995 Wonderland'

Lucia Dulin Hawkins  
Staff Writer

"A Magical Wonderland" is the theme of this year's Rose Festival, an event that was cultivated during the oil boom of the 1930s when Tyler Garden Club members decided to promote Tyler. The Chamber of Commerce, rose growers and civic leaders joined together to create a way to show off their city. The oil boom spared Tyler from most of the effects of the Depression, and, with the infusion of local wealth, the Festival gave an elegance to Tyler that was rarely seen in other metropolitan areas. Since 1933, when the event only included a tour of the rose fields during harvest time, the Rose Festival has become bigger and better each year.

During October, when Tyler is a blanket of bloom, what better way to warm the hearts of tourists and locals than with a Festival. Now visitors can see the Tyler Rose Museum and learn about the colorful history of the rose industry and the fes-

tivals, take in an art show and at night attend an outdoor concert.

Former TJC student, Lisa (Sanders) Bumbard a lady-in-waiting when "Renaissance of the Rose" was the Festival theme in 1973, said it was the most wonderful experience to be an ambassador for Tyler.

"One of my favorite parts of the Festival was the Queen's Tea party when I met tourists from across the country and around the world. I really enjoyed being involved in such a community event," she said.

Numerous community activities are planned during this time. The first is a concert by the East Texas Symphony at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, in Bergfeld Park.

The Rose Festival opens Monday with the ribbon cutting by Queen "Martie" Wolf at 10 a.m. at the Rose Museum.

The Coronation Dress Rehearsal occurs at 1:30 p.m. at Caldwell Auditorium. The popular Queen's Tea is held in the Rose Gardens at 3 p.m. Friday after-

noon and at 7 p.m. the Queen is officially crowned in the Coronation at Caldwell Auditorium.

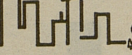

During the weekend, visitors can tour rose fields. At 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning, the Texas Rose Festival Parade starts west from Glenwood and Front streets and continues in Rose Stadium. A "Palette of Roses" Art Show is at the fairgrounds from Thursday to Sunday.

Tylerite Annette Brown said when her daughter, Allison, participated in 1987, the Festival was extravagant, but not the extravaganza it is now. "There were parties and luncheons, and lots of details to be taken care of with dress fittings. In fact, it was a big production to get ready for," Brown said.

While they enjoyed the social events, she stressed what an important part of Tyler the Rose Festival is. "It brings people and interest to the area. It is such a thrill when you tell people you are from Tyler; they always say, 'That's where the roses are.' It is a big deal."



## Interactive art exhibit opens in Jenkins Hall

Sewer... "Hey Baby!"—What a...  Sky... 50 yard... Bread... RED...  sign on the dotted...

Staff Writer  
Connie Conner

Power line...phone line...bread line...out of line...add your own line.

Art Instructor C.J. Cavanaugh labels as "interactive art" the exhibit in Jenkins Hall entitled, "The

Power of Line."

Cavanaugh has placed a paper line which runs almost full length of the hallway opposite the art program area. On this line, students have written every kind of line they can imagine. The idea has grown beyond expected boundaries as the creative

juices began to flow off the line in phrases such as "cross the line," "out of line" and "picket line."

The design class invites others to see their artwork and challenges them to think of new lines to add to the interactive line. The exhibit closes on Oct. 20.

## Art students learn perspective

Lucia Dulin Hawkins  
Staff Writer

Students seen scattered around the campus with sketchbooks in hand are probably enrolled in Art 1316, an intro drawing class.

They learn to draw still life, landscapes and architectural subjects. The course emphasizes drawing skills that

include line and perspective using a variety of media and techniques.

"Students can allude to the depth and distance of their subject when they sketch different buildings around the campus," Art Program Director Chris Stewart said. "They are able to see how lines appear to diminish or recede in space and sketch them. It is an excellent way for them to show the perspective of a building."

His students think the course is wonderful.

"I use any reason I can to be outdoors and this way I'm learning, too," Joseph Nogaro said.

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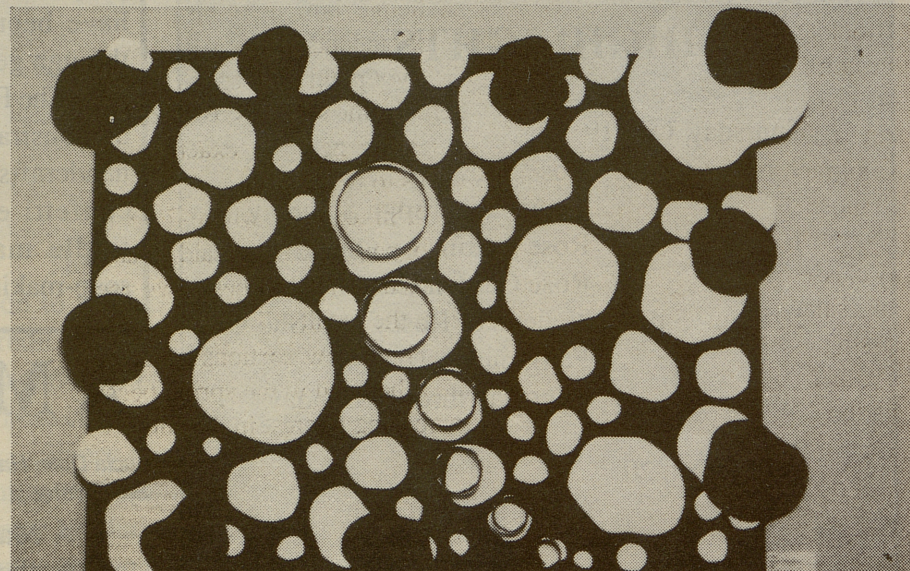


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POSTER BRASS - Amanda Christian's design project shows her interpretation of "The Power of Line."

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## Geography

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"Brooks was more than qualified to teach geography because he has had experience teaching at other colleges," Government Program Director, Ray Bagwell said. "He has a great rapport with his students and has a very outgoing personality."

Brooks has taught at Alvin and Galveston community colleges and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice prison system, among other places.

Geography is an elective course taken mostly by prospective teachers.

"Ninety-five percent of the students in my classes are going to be teachers," Brooks said. "This course helps them in passing exams for teacher certification. Others just want to know more about the world because it will help

them contribute to society."

One of Brooks' main goals in his classroom is not only for the students to learn, but for them to have fun doing so.

"I really look forward to coming to his class," sophomore Elise Adamson said. "He has a good sense-of-humor and very entertaining way of lecturing, which makes the course interesting."

Brooks admits that his classes are a challenge, but one of his prerequisites is for students to enjoy themselves.

"My main philosophy is that I am here for the students, Brooks said.

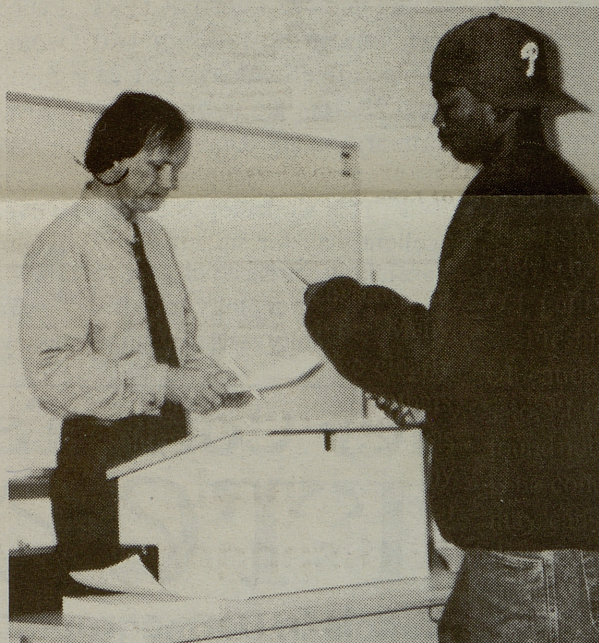
Being here is exactly where he wants to be.

"I'm exactly where I've dreamt about being," Brooks said. "I am really amazed at all the help I've received from the faculty."

Three new sections of geography are scheduled in the spring because of increasing interest in the subject.

**WORLD OF ADVICE**--A student confers with Geography Instructor Robert Brooks about the assignment.

Photo by Cammie Brooks



**TOUCHING OTHERS**--Instructor Nancy Loper retired last month after years of award-winning teaching. Loper taught literacy and General Education Diploma classes.

Photo by Joseph Nogaro

## Loper retires from literacy career

Joseph Nogaro  
Staff Writer

Although Nancy Loper, Adult Learning Center director, had been aloof about her upcoming retirement, the rumors that have persisted for months are true. Loper, 66, retired Sept 30.

She is known to have what it takes to manage her assistants and their students: court-ordered cases, teenage mothers, learning disabled and others who need a Nancy Loper to help them learn to read or master the basics.

Loper has directed the East Texas Adult Education Co-Op and Tyler Adult Learning Center since 1972. Since 1992 it has been housed at the Regional Training and Development Center, TJC's satellite campus.

She received numerous awards for her work: 1989 Certificate of Appre-

ciation from Goodwill Industries, 1988 Texas Literacy Council, 1988 Literacy Award presented by East Texas Reading Council, Teacher of the Year, for Texas Association for Continuing Adult Education. In 1986 she designed and developed the Literacy Program in Smith County for the Tyler Adult Learning Center, Inc. and established the Literacy Council in Tyler.

She plans to rest, but only for a moment. In the same breath she talked about her volunteer work with Grace Community Networking and support groups through Bible study fellowships.

"God has taught me to learn from the past, live in the present and look forward to the future. Most of the support I've received has come from my husband Wayne and my children," Loper said.



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## Bookstore cashes checks

TJC Bookstore will cash any student check up to \$50 for 50 cents. Bookstore hours are Monday-Thursday, 7:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

Employees are mostly students; some are non-students, Bookstore Manager Tom Wade said. He selects two groups of potential employees and has them work for a test period. He hires the better group.

An average student working at the TJC Bookstore works 20 hours a week. The pay rate differs, depending on experience and the position the student has, Wade said.

The store buys back books and will special order them.

## Club offers fitness credit

Christopher Green  
Staff Writer

"The Fitness Club will promote fitness in a positive manner," Dr. Nancy Norvell, health and kinesiology instructor, said. This Club will involve three activities: aerobics, competition and college credit.

Aerobics will help those wishing to tone and shape the body or to keep fit. Norvell will help those who want to compete in cross country runs, bike races and triathlons. She and her colleagues will work with people of all ages, shapes and sizes who want to be fit.

The Fitness Club is open to

TJC students and alumni and students at the University of Texas at Tyler.

Norvell has taught physical education here since 1983. She has competed and coached nationally.

The Club will be offered as a one-hour credit class to take place around noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the spring semester. Those who want to get in shape now can get Norvell's assistance now by calling 510-2788.

She plans to present her new Club concept at a national convention next year, she said.

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## Homecoming

Stephanie Kirby  
Staff Writer

Homecoming week will begin Oct 23 with the beginning of King and Queen elections and the Drum Beat.

Dinner Theater I, "Graceland," opens at 7:30 p.m. in Apache rooms 1-4 with second performance Oct. 24.

Casino Night starts at 8 p.m. Oct. 25 in Apache rooms 1-4. It will conclude with a late night breakfast in the cafeteria.

Campus Capers with Reneé Hicks will begin Oct. 26 and conclude Oct. 27.

Displays and building decorations will be judged Oct. 27 followed by the midnight pep rally.

TJC will play Trinity Valley Community College Cardinals in the homecoming game at 3 p.m. Oct. 28 at Rose Stadium. The homecoming court will be presented at that time.

Tickets for Homecoming events can be purchased in office 279 of the Rogers Student Center. For more information call 510-2259.

## Culture

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Joyner Fry in Bergfeld Center and the Melody Shop.

"Marimba Yajalon" Percussion Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 13, Wise Auditorium. Free tickets are available to pick up Nov. 1 at cashier's office and University of Texas at Tyler Bookstore.

TJC/UT Tyler Wind Ensembles Concert, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 16, Caldwell Auditorium. Free tickets Nov. 1 at cashier's office and UT Tyler Bookstore.

Guitarist Celino Romero and TJC Guitar Ensemble Pre-Concert Program, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 18, Caldwell Auditorium. Tickets are \$20, \$17, \$14. Students with I.D. pay \$10, \$8.50 and \$7. Call (903) 592-1427 or pick up at will-call at time of the performance.

"The Foreigner" by Larry Shue, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 30-Dec. 5, Jean Browne Theatre. Tickets are \$3 at Campus Box Office in Wise Culture Center.

## Workshop to train teachers for Laubach literacy classes

A free workshop will help those interested in teaching English as a Second Language. The Literacy Council of Tyler will present the workshop two consecutive Saturdays, Oct. 21 and 28 from 8-5 at the Muntz Library on the University of Texas at Tyler campus.

"This workshop is an excellent way for students who are taking courses such as sociology or psychology to fulfill the community service require-

ments of the course," said Spokesperson Resa Wingfield.

The trainers use the Laubach method which uses word association to teach English. This method has been proven one of the best ways to learn another language.

Those who finish the course will earn a teaching certificate required to teach ESL using the Laubach method.

To sign up, call The Literacy Council at 533-0330.

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